

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY CAIRO

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INFO AMEMBASSY NDJAMENA

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AMEMBASSY TEHRAN

C O N F I D E N T I A L CAIRO 02940

FOR NEA ACTING ASSISTANT SECRETARY SOBER

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MASS CD IR EG US

SUBJECT: MILITARY ASSISTANCE FOR CHAD

REF: (A) TEHRAN 959, (B) STATE 20400

1. I ARRIVE AT THE SAME CONCLUSION THAT AMBASSADOR SULLIVAN HAS. I SEE LITTLE PURPOSE IN OUR INTERCEDING WITH GOE TO SPEAK TO IRAN ABOUT MILITARY ASSISTANCE TO CHAD. SADAT HAS PROVIDED SOMALIA, CHAD, TANZANIA AND NIGER WITH SUCH LIMITED ARMS AND AMMO AS HE CAN SPARE AGAINST THE ADVICE OF MINWAR GAMASY WHO FEELS EGYPTIAN INVENTORY BEING DENUDED AT A TIME WHEN ARAB/ISRAELI CONFLICT STILL UNRESOLVED. SADAT WILL SIMPLY SEE THIS AS FURTHER EFFORT ON OUR PART TO SHIFT RESPONSIBILITY FOR ASSISTING FRIENDLY AFRICAN STATE THREATENED BY WHAT HE REGARDS AS SOVIET SURROGATE, LIBYA. AS HE HAS TOLD FREQUENT VISITING CODELS, HE BELIEVES THAT WE HAVE NO AFRICAN POLICY AND HAVE TIED OURSELVES SO HAND AND FOOT THAT WE ARE UNABLE OR  
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UNWILLING TO EFFECTIVELY HELP OUR THREATENED FRIENDS. IT WILL NOT HELP OUR STANDING IN EGYPT TO MAKE THIS KIND OF A REQUEST.

2. PERHAPS IF GOE NEEDS BE PROMPTED TO APPROACH IRAN, CHADIAN GOVERNMENT COULD INSTRUCT ITS AMBASSADOR IN CAIRO TO URGE THIS ON SADAT, VP MUBARAK OR MINSTATE BOUTROS

GHALI (WHO HANDLES AFRICAN AFFAIRS IN MFA). EILTS

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